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South Kanara Collector's Office,
Mangalore, 20th November 1920.

From

V.R.Ry. Rai Bahadur U. Rama Rao. Avl B.A.,
Ag. Collector of South Kanara.

To

The Reforms Commissioner,
Madras.

Elections - Legislative Council - Muhammadan Constituency
My telegram dated 13th November 1920.

Abdul Kasim Beary duly elected for the above Constituency is on enquiry found to belong to no political party in particular nor does he appear to have given any indication of his --- political leanings so far

2. He is a "Mokadam" or head of coolies employed in Mangalore port and also acts as a broker with the Divi "Dalals" ---- (commission agents) at Mangalore. He is not literate and can only sign his name in Arabic.

3. Abdul Kasim Beary is reported to be a man of no status. His antecedents are bad. In 1903 he was convicted under ---- Section 332 I.P.C. and sentenced to three months' rigorous ---- imprisonment for beating a Police Head Constable who was escorting him as a remand prisoner in a murder case. In 1910 he was convicted for theft and sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 15/- or -- in default to suffer 15 days' simple imprisonment. The cases against him in the Bench Court are numerous. From 1903 to 1910 he was in the Police list of suspects. Even now he is a ----- common figure in the Sub-Magistrate's Court precincts and earns something by siding with one party or the other and threatening witnesses. He does not, however, seem to be disqualified under the Electoral Rules.

For Collector.

Reforms Section.

His Excellency and circulation.

For perusal.

2. The person originally nominated for the Council -- Muhammad Schammad -- was disqualified as he had already been elected to the Legislative Assembly seat. In the desire to get the election over before the new Council meets we were not able to leave very much time for a fresh nomination and this probably explains why no more desirable candidate was forthcoming.

25/11/20

a nice new member apparently

Lt. 26.11.20

26/11/20

I presume the Secretary has verified Collector's conclusion that this writer not disqualified under the electoral rules. I should like to refer to the relevant rules - of which I have no copy immediately available.

cf Rule 5 of the Electoral Rules.

27.11.20

The 1772 Mohammadans who constitute this S. Canara constituency must be a poor lot. The result shows them to be quite unfit to exercise the franchise!

27.11.20

Mr Hoyle Abrahall
Hoyle Quadrin Sabel (now
the Leg Council) has
not standing for the
re-election, his public
opinion has stood -
against him and he
has to withdraw; and
this on Council & this with
available Information
apparently" I know
if this is a trick of the
Pia Corporation to bring
the (new) Council into
Contempt.

29/11/20

Confdl

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to Secretary
Govt.

No 1044-VR & LXII.

Dear Mr. Rama Rao,

Please return to your Confdl. letter 0/20 dated 20.11.20 regarding the political leanings of Abdul Khadir in Bearey. The Commissioner for Reforms would like to know whether the election of this Candidate is a mark of the non-Cooperators to bring the new Council into Contempt

Approved
J.G. 1.12.20

DMR
1.12.20

To Rao Bahadur M. Rama Rao
The Collector of S. Kanara.
Mangalore

D.O.
Kindly
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S. Kanara Collector's Office,

Mangalore, 3 - 12 - 1920.

Dear Mr Gray.

Please refer to your confidential d. o. No 1099-R of 1. 12. 1920 about Abdul Kasim Beary. There is reason to believe that the election of this candidate is a trick of the non-cooperators to bring the new Council into contempt. As already reported by me in my confidential fortnightly

d.o. dy 23.11.1920 to the Chief Secretary, Abdul Kasim Beary was set up as a candidate by H. Mahammad Puttan Sahib, Bench Magistrate of Mangalore whom I reported in my d.o. dy 1.10.1920 to the Chief Secretary as posing as a non-cooperator. H. M. Puttan Sahib discouraged other candidates of his community from standing for election. He knows that Abdul Kasim Beary is not at all a fit candidate & his intention

was to split Mr Schamnad who was duly elected to the Indian Legislative Assembly & with whom Puttun Sahib & his party have fallen out. Puttun Sahib makes no secret of this. He & his party seem foolishly to think that by such mischievous conduct they are spiting Govt. Their next move is said to be to convene a big meeting to represent to the Govt that the Mahammadans of this District do not consider either Mr Schamnad

or Abdul Kasim as their
representative & therefore their
election should be cancelled.

Yours sincerely
Ed Chamberlain

To
J. Gray Esq. I.C.S.

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D.O. to the Collector of S. Kanara No. 1029-1R. dt. 1.XII.20.

Board RES 6.12.20

For Comm:

This may be circulated.

HG 6/12/20

Hrs d. Circ

Atk 6.XII. 20

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I shld like to know definitely if this
memorial is not procedural as to the
hon. bring a member among to his conviction

W. J. 22.20

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11.12.20

(Re motion I asked, by
Publication, on the 27th alt)

11/12

Reforms Section.

Abdul Kasim Beary is not disqualified for election.

2. The rule under which convictions are a disqualification is rule No. 5 of the Madras Electoral Rules. An ordinary criminal conviction does not disqualify unless there has been a sentence of imprisonment for more than six months.

11.XII.20

His Excellency & the Hon. Mr. L. Davidson C.S.I., I.C.S.,

Very well we can do nothing

W 14.12.20

LD 14-12-20

14/12/20

Public Dept

For G.O.

It is submitted that these papers may be recorded in a G.O. of 1920.

No. 513 & 31.12.20

Abstract -

Reforms - Electorate to Legislative Council - qualification of a member elected by Muhammadan Constituency of S. Kanara - recorded.

Ptn 6.2.21